

## Amendments to the Claims

## Claims 1-21 (Cancelled)

5    22. (New) A disk storage medium, comprising:  
      a thermally sensitive layer that changes color when heated;  
      one or more alignment marks pre-printed on the disk storage medium; and  
      pre-recorded data containing embedded disk information about the disk  
      storage medium.

10    23. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the thermally sensitive  
      layer is attached by an adhesive.

15    24. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the thermally sensitive  
      layer is deposited on the disk storage medium.

20    25. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the one or more  
      alignment marks are pre-printed on the thermally sensitive layer.

25    26. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the one or more  
      alignment marks are used to properly align a label to a predetermined orientation.

27. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the thermally sensitive  
      layer is arranged in a pattern in order to form a label composed of different colors.

30    28. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 27 wherein the pattern is a series of  
      substantially concentric rings of different colors.

29. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 27 wherein the pattern is a series of  
      substantially radial line patterns.

35    30. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 27 wherein the thermally sensitive  
      layer includes multiple layers and one of the thermally sensitive layer is configured  
      to allow a laser to burn through to expose a color layer.

31. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 27 wherein the pre-recorded data  
      describes pattern of colors.

32. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the pre-recorded data includes grey scale information.

5 33. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the embedded disk information includes thermal media printing characteristics.

34. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the embedded disk information includes licensing information.

10 35. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the thermally sensitive layer is erasable.

15 36. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the thermally sensitive layer is configured to allow a thermal writing head to write one or more spots to the thermally sensitive layer.

37. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the thermally sensitive layer includes a test printing area.

20 38. (New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the thermally sensitive layer is configured to store a label data file.

39.(New) The disk storage medium of claim 22 wherein the thermally sensitive layer is removable.